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U.S. insists on Young's visit to South Africa

WASHINGTON, May 10 (R). — The U.S. State Department insisted today that it was still making arrangements for a visit to South Africa by Andrew Young, the outspoken American ambassador to the United Nations. Spokesman Frederick Brown, under close questioning by reporters, said: "I understand we are still in the process of discussing arrangements. I don't have any indication of how these arrangements are coming along." He added that the South African government had not yet told the State Department whether Mr. Young would be granted a visa.

Egypt, Israel stage manoeuvres

CAIRO, May 10 (R). — Egypt and Israel staged manoeuvres in the Sinai desert over the past few days but did not violate their ceasefire agreements, diplomatic sources said today. "There have been no ceasefire violations that we are aware of," said a diplomatic source who is in a position to know. The diplomat told Reuters, "we also know that Israel staged several manoeuvres in Sinai... just as the Egyptian did." "The weapons used and the exercises were within the Sinai accord and there were no violations," he stressed. Cairo newspapers reported last Friday that Egyptian troops staged a four-day exercise in Sinai.

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NATO meet approves Carter defence call

France shows lack of enthusiasm

LONDON, May 10 (R). — The Atlantic allies extended wide backing tonight to President Carter's rallying call for the West to sharpen up its defences in the face of growing Soviet might. Only France, according to diplomatic sources, displayed a non-committal attitude at this summit meeting of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO). The other leaders of the 15-nation organisation spoke up one by one to praise President Carter's speech, in which he proposed a long-term strengthening of the West's military power. The French delegates at the conference refrained from making any open judgement on Mr. Carter's speech. Afterwards French diplomats confined themselves to describing the proposals as "interesting". President Carter suggested the allies should work out ways of bolstering their strength and report back to him at another summit in Washington next spring. Diplomats described the events of the day as a distinct boost for the 28-year-old alliance, which President Carter privately described, according to informed sources, as having slipped into middle aged attitudes. British Prime Minister James Callaghan commented: "President Carter was like a breath of fresh air. He has brought a sense of vitality." "He has proved a true leader of the Western world," said Mr. Callaghan in a farewell television appearance alongside Mr. Carter just before the American leader flew home. France's attitude at the meeting reflected its long-standing lack of enthusiasm for NATO. For 10 years now the French have stayed outside the NATO integrated structure.



DINNER CHAT -- Syrian President Hafez Assad and U.S. President Jimmy Carter chat before dinner Monday evening in Geneva. The two met earlier for talks on the Middle East.

Allon holds secret talks with Boigny on Middle East conflict

PARIS, May 10 (R). — Israeli Foreign Minister Yigal Allon held two rounds of secret talks on the Middle East here today with Ivory Coast President Felix Houphouet-Boigny, an influential go-between in the Arab-Israeli conflict.

As the Israeli minister left Paris for London, where he is to meet U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, the Israeli embassy issued a brief joint statement about his discreet talks with the west African leader.

It said only that President Houphouet-Boigny received Mr. Allon for talks lasting two and a half hours. "The discussions took place in a frank and trusting atmosphere and dealt with the situation in the world, particularly in the Middle East," the statement concluded.

Today's unexpected encounter in a Paris apartment was the second in three months between Mr. Houphouet-Boigny and a top Israeli government minister.

In February, he met the then Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin in Geneva and a second meeting was scheduled. But then Mr. Rabin resigned because of a financial scandal, delaying the follow-up meeting.

The Ivory Coast president has had recent contacts with Arab leaders and officials from the Palestine Liberation Organisation.

But M. Houphouet-Boigny who is one of the longest serving and most respected leaders in black Africa, made it clear today he has no proposals of his own for a Middle East settlement.

"I gather the proposals and then pass them on," he told reporters after a meeting with French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing.

The Ivory Coast president said he is acting as a Middle East peacemaker. "That's asking too much of me," he said.

Informed Israeli sources said they expected further contacts between M. Houphouet-Boigny and Israeli leaders, although not before the general elections later this month.

Today's Paris talks followed yesterday's Geneva meeting between President Jimmy Carter and Syrian leader Hafez Assad.

The talks here were conducted in English and French. Israeli sources said M. Houphouet-Boigny was assisted by two advisers and Mr. Allon by two.

Mr. Allon who arrived in London tonight will hold luncheon talks with Mr. Vance tomorrow, informed Israeli and American sources said.

President Carter only yesterday had talks in Geneva with Syrian President Hafez Assad as part of his consultations with Arab and Israeli leaders on prospects for a Middle East settlement.

Al Dustour reports from Beirut 13 helicopters sold to Kuwait end up in Israel

AMMAN, May 10 (Agencies) — The Jordanian daily Al Dustour said today a shipment of 13 helicopters, which disappeared on its way from Italy to Kuwait, turned up in Israel.

In an unsecured report from Beirut, the Amman newspaper said the aircraft had been unloaded at the port there shortly before the Lebanese civil war broke out in 1975.

It added that investigations had shown that the helicopters were taken from the port to Kaslik, which is in the heartland of the rightist Maronite Christian part of Lebanon.

Al Dustour said Italian Foreign Minister Orlando Forlani paid a secret visit to Lebanon in March to trace the missing helicopters, which Kuwait had bought from Italy.

"Reports in Lebanon say the helicopters reached Israel and those who handed them over received weapons suitable for use in the Lebanese war," Al Dustour added.

Al Dustour said the helicopters were made by the Italian firm Agusta-Bell.

Carter says in London M.E. leaders accept buffer zones idea

LONDON, May 10 (R). — President Carter said last night that the general idea of buffer zones between Israel and the Arab countries had been accepted by all the Middle East leaders he had met.

He told this to reporters after returning from Geneva, where he conferred with Syrian President Hafez Assad. He has already held talks with retiring Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, President Sadat of Egypt, and His Majesty King Hussein.

Mr. Carter had previously mentioned the possibility of Israel's troops being stationed at least temporarily outside the country's geographical borders.

He spoke last night in terms of peacekeeping forces that might be stationed in buffer zones on each side of future borders in the Middle East.

He refused to say which countries he thought should contribute units to a peacekeeping force.

Asked to explain his thinking further, the president said he could not be more specific because of differences in the Middle East terrain.

It was crucial to have long-range radar in the Sinai because of the distance involved and the topography of the desert, he said. But on the Golan Heights, distances were much shorter and he thought that visual observation might be adequate there.

The president said he was very pleased with the relationship he had formed with President Assad in Geneva.

In a related development, President Carter praised Arab leaders for their moderation and constructive attitudes.

He was speaking to reporters before flying back to Washington after attending conference and NATO summit meetings, here.

He said: "I feel better about the prospects for some progress in the Middle East than I ever have before."

"I have been very encouraged by the moderate attitude of the Arab leadership," he added.

In Geneva, Syrian officials said: "There has been an effort in the right direction on the part of the United States which gives us some hope."

They welcomed the U.S. administration's recognition of Syria's key role in the Middle East and noted that President Carter made no mention of his controversial idea of "defensible borders" for Israel.

According to Syrian sources, the Lebanese civil war was not discussed, nor was the report that the Palestine Liberation Organisation was prepared on certain conditions to recognise the existence of Israel -- two

Asking to comment on the Geneva meeting of the American and Syrian presidents, Mr. Rabin said he felt that Mr. Assad had dictated too much to Mr. Carter.

"After all, I do not remember the Syrian president ever telling his friend, Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev, where they should meet as he told Mr. Carter," Mr. Rabin said.

EEC parliament briefed on missing uranium cargo

STRASBOURG, May 10 (R). — The European Common Market Commission for Energy, Guido Brunner, said today it was not known where 200 tons of uranium, which disappeared over eight years ago, was at present.

Answering critical questions in the European Parliament, he defended the community's handling of the disappearance, but refused to throw any new light on the matter.

(In Oslo, a former Norwegian Chief Prosecutor, Haakon Wikker, has said in a statement that an Israeli agent admitted to Norwegian police that he took part in an operation to divert the uranium -- which could have been used to make nuclear explosives -- to Israel.)

Mr. Brunner said the security agencies of four countries had been able to reconstruct what had happened to the uranium, which vanished while being shipped from Antwerp to the Italian port of Genoa in November, 1968.

But the agencies of Belgium, Italy, West Germany and the United States did not know where the uranium was now, and their report to the EEC commission had been oral and on a confidential basis, he added.

The incident surfaced publicly just over a week ago. Market sources said they believed the uranium had gone to Israel. Mr. Brunner told the assembly that controls exercised by the nine-nation community's Atomic Energy Agency, over movements of nuclear materials were relatively rudimentary in 1968, but had been tightened considerably since then and were now satisfactory.

U.S. might boost military aid to Turkey

LONDON, May 10 (R). — President Carter said today he believed the U.S. Congress would act quickly to increase military aid to Turkey and thus remove a serious irritant in American-Turkish relations.

The president told reporters after holding separate meetings with Turkish Prime Minister Süleyman Demirel and Greek Premier Constantine Karamanlis that the Greek-Turk feud over Cyprus severely weakened NATO's southern flank.

President Carter said he was confident that difficulties with Turkey, which began with the Turkish invasion of Cyprus in 1974, would be ironed out.

He also said he had discussed the Cyprus situation with the two premiers and expressed to them the hope that a solution would be found soon.

Mr. Carter's discussions took place on the sidelines of the NATO summit conference which opened in London today.

The U.S. Congress embargoed military aid to Turkey in 1974 because of Turkey's use of American-supplied weapons in the Cyprus invasion.

The embargo was subsequently lifted but the Ankara government has been concerned over what it considers to be a continuing anti-Turkish sentiment in Congress.

Prime Minister Demirel told reporters he had expressed his deep concern to Mr. Carter about the state of American-Turkish relations.

Mr. Carter noted he had recommended an increase in military aid to Turkey from \$25 million to \$175 million this year and said he had every expectation that his request would be approved quickly.

He said Turkey was a key-stone of NATO defence in the eastern Mediterranean. It had been a staunch friend of the United States, and he was anxious to improve relations between the two countries.

Asked about his talks with the two premiers over Cyprus, the president merely replied there was a common hope that the dispute could be resolved. He said the United States wanted a united Cyprus with the Greek and Turkish communities living in harmony.

Oil companies accused of cooperating with Rhodesia

DAR ES SALAAM, May 10 (R). — Zambian Foreign Minister Sika Mwale said today the British government must have had some idea that Western oil companies had been violating economic sanctions against Rhodesia.

Speaking at an airport press conference before flying home after talks here with President Julius Nyerere, Mr. Mwale said Rhodesia had a very strong case against five oil companies, it intended to sue for breaking U.N. sanctions.

Mr. Mwale declared: "The British government has very large shares in some of the oil companies. As far as we are concerned the British government did have some idea of the operations of these companies at the time it was taking us to support sanctions in the United Nations."

"I am sure the British government did have some idea." He said Zambia's legal case was in its early stages and the attorney-general, Mr. Mainza Chona was in London to organise it.

He said every time there had been talks on Rhodesia, white minority Prime Minister Smith had won. He added: "If we are talking about another conference, Smith is going to win."

Mr. Mwale said: "We have every hope of the struggle in southern Africa will come to its logical end, in Zimbabwe (Rhodesia) in particular, through armed struggle."

"We don't have any romantic views about war, we hate war, but it is the only alternative."

PLO denies readiness to recognise Israel

GENEVA, May 10 (AFP). — The Palestine Liberation Organisation today denied it was ready to recognise the existence of the state of Israel.

A PLO communique issue here said "such questions are premature to the present stage" of negotiations.

Authoritative U.S. sources said yesterday that the PLO was prepared to recognise Israel in return for Israeli recognition of the Palestinians' right to a homeland.

Other reports said the Palestinians would accept the creation of a federation uniting Jordan and a future Palestinian state on the occupied West Bank of the Jordan and in the Gaza Strip.

But today's PLO denial said the reports of recognition of Israel and readiness to form a federation were "false and unfounded".

First Israeli settlers arrive in Mas'ha

MASHA, West Bank, May 10 (R). — A new Israeli settlement was opened officially today at Mas'ha just inside the Israeli-occupied West Bank.

The families of the first 15 men, who settled on this hill about 8 kms. from Israel's pre-1967 border 10 days ago, moved into their prefabricated houses. Thirty additional families are awaiting permission to join them.

Addressing a dedication ceremony, Housing Minister Shlomo Avni said the Israeli government had approved the establishment of a 550-family industrial town about 3 kms south of here.

He said the first families were expected to move into the planned town towards the end of next year.

The hill overlooks the Tel Aviv area and was picked by the government for settlement because of its "defensive importance."

The founders of the village are members of the Gush Emunim (Faith Bloc) movement, which has several times attempted to put up unauthorised settlements in the West Bank.

Gush Emunim's activities in the area have caused strong protests in several towns and villages along the West Bank, including one last week in which two Arab residents were shot dead by Israeli troops.

Abu Iyad criticises Carter's statements

KUWAIT, May 10 (R). — A Palestine commando leader said in an interview published here today that President Carter's statements on a homeland for the Palestinians had failed to justify their optimism.

Mr. Salah Khalaf (Abu Iyad) of the Fatah commando movement, was quoted by the daily newspaper Al Anba, as saying that the statements by President Carter "do not justify our optimism or our expectations."

President Carter who yesterday had talks in Geneva with President Hafez Assad of Syria, called for a homeland for Palestinians.

Mr. Khalaf told the newspaper in Beirut that the negative attitude towards the Soviet Union did not rule out its role in solving the Middle East problem.

Although the Palestine Liberation Organisation was proud of Soviet friendship, it hoped Moscow would show "a better understanding of our cause," he added.



LAST MINUTE DISCUSSIONS -- U.S. President Jimmy Carter smiles as he listens to Greek Prime Minister Constantine Karamanlis on the steps of Winfield House in London Tuesday after the two leaders held an early morning meeting. (AP wirephoto).

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Carter is countering cynicism of those who believe that if a government is corrupt, the U.S. will support

EDITOR'S NOTE - This is the fifth and final part of a series of articles on the proceedings of an open discussion between Prof. Malcolm Kerr, Dean of the Division of Social Sciences at the University of Los Angeles (UCLA) and a number of Jordanian intellectuals and newsmen. This part deals in particular with the human rights issue and its role in U.S. foreign policy.

Dr. Ismail: To what extent do you think the human rights policy of President Carter will affect the dictator allies of the United States, such as Nicaragua and Chile or certain countries in Southeast Asia? Or is he just after the Soviet Union?

Prof. Kerr: No, no Carter and his State Department people have been going around making symbolic reductions in aid to different governments. Some governments in South America said if you're going to cut our aid by 50 per cent, we don't want the other 50 per cent either. You can stop insulting us like this. Probably human rights in these countries will not be affected at all that much.

Dr. Ismail: But the tension between Brazil, for instance, and the States is not

just due to Carter's statements on human rights.

Prof. Kerr: Of course. There already were some major areas of conflict. But I don't suppose we should be naive about this business of human rights and dictatorships; after all that's what prevails in most of the world, as always, and democratic governments are exceptions in world history. They come about by happy accidents, perhaps, of some sort.

So, whether fortunately or not, the U.S. doesn't have a monopoly on possessing dictatorships for its friends and allies, and I don't think that by making some moral declarations one is going to really change the rest of the world. But I think that Carter is trying to react against the sort of cynicism that we've been

developing, where people say if a government is corrupt and dictatorial then of course the United States is going to support it.

We in the United States feel increasingly uncomfortable about this equation. And we also feel sometimes that it's unnecessary. Not every dictatorship is helpful to the United States, and I don't know what Nicaragua does for us, although Brazil is a much more important country. I don't know why they should worry about Chile, I mean why should we see some value in the Chilean regime to the United States. I think it's just an embarrassment to the United States. On the other hand it's not so easy to say that some other allies don't matter for us, or that we could really affect their social systems.

So I think there's no simple response. We have no monopoly, the Soviets have none. I'm glad that Carter has criticized the Soviet Union because I think that they're extremely hypocritical about human rights around the world, completely cynical. And they deserve some frank condemnation now and then. But it probably won't do them good, dictatorial regimes will go right on doing what they wish.

Another refreshing surprise from Carter

President Carter is once again proving to be a pleasant and refreshing surprise. Just before meeting President Assad in Geneva he again struck a theme that has marked him as a true statesman, saying that there must be a resolution of the Palestinian problem and a homeland for the Palestinians. The fact that he returned to this question like a homing pigeon is sufficient to dispel doubts that he is serious about it.

Although his remark drew hostile criticism from much of the Israeli press, it was nevertheless well timed. A poll conducted in Israel only last week showed that 72 per cent of those questioned were opposed to the idea of the creation of a Palestinian state, in almost any shape or form.

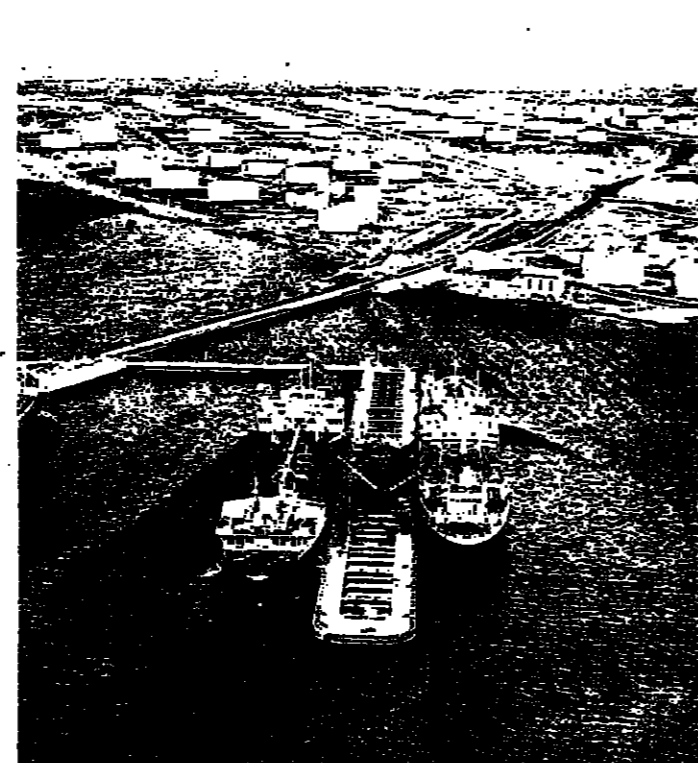
President Carter is speaking while there is yet time to speak. The Israelis, left to themselves, are quite capable of going into their general elections blissfully oblivious of the issue of Middle East peace. They would rather tuck it away in some dusty corner until they feel sufficient peace of mind to tackle such a thorny question, for it requires much soul searching on their part.

The decision is a difficult one, but it is a problem that must be faced now, squarely. If they don't watch out, the Israelis will justify to the world what the Arabs have been saying all along: that Israel is using such questions as the PLO's refusal to recognise it as a smoke screen behind which to hide the fact that it is not taking the question of peace seriously at all. The Israelis are proving that the PLO is not a dreaded Nemesis, it is just a convenient excuse.

The Israeli public has to be reminded that the Palestinians will not simply go away just because the Israelis choose to ignore them. Statements by President Carter about the Palestinians (and this time he did not simply refer to them as refugees) can effectively serve as such a reminder, whereas similar statements by the Arabs or the Soviet Union, for instance, will simply be brushed away as usual.

Now is the time for the Israeli public to face facts. It's no good just saying one wants peace, one has to mean it.

Venezuelan economy goes haywire with influx of petro-dollars



Oil tankers at a Venezuelan refinery: Extreme affluence creates headaches.

Venezuela is one of the biggest oil producers in OPEC. The petro-dollars are rolling in and should be ensuring a good long-term future for its 12-million people. Are things working out?

CARACAS, (Gemin) - Oil-rich Venezuela is a classic example of a state whose economy has gone haywire since the petro-dollars have been flooding in.

The official line is that the country is modernising itself by building up its industry before the oil money comes to an end, as it must when the wells finally run dry. But in many ways the cash is pouring out without much to show for it.

Although Venezuela nationalised its oil industry 12 months ago, and is now paying compensation to the big companies which previously ran the wells, things have changed very little. A trip round the oil fields shows that the same people are still doing the work. The switch has meant little change. As much money as before is leaving Venezuela to pay for foreign workers and specialist contracting companies operating in the fields.

Certainly the factories are being built, by foreigners, of course, and if anybody runs them, and benefits from them, it will not be the Venezuelans themselves.

Tens of thousands of Colombians have entered the country to do the work which the Venezuelans are increasingly unwilling to do.

The Venezuelan moneyed class seem to have a spend, spend, spend philosophy. Symptomatic of this has been the rise in the consumption of whisky. Something like 30 million litre bottles were drunk last year by the 10 per cent of Venezuelans who can afford such things, for in common with most Latin American states wealth is very unevenly spread in the country.

If every one of the 12 million Venezuelans had drunk a bottle each, this would have made them one of the world's greatest consuming countries, but the figure would still have been but a third of what the

"invading" Colombians are quite a problem. Although the Venezuelans throw them out again as quickly as they can, it's a losing battle.

The Colombians are now as indispensable to the country as the Irish are to Britain. If it were not for them, for one thing, the appalling performance of Venezuelan agriculture would be even worse than it is now.

More than \$1,000 million has been poured into the pockets of farmers by the government, yet last year's harvest was the worst for many years. It is true that there was a drought and floods, but most of the money which was supposed to have improved yields, or bought new machinery, ended up in city centre speculation, or even went to buy winter homes in the United States.

Venezuela cannot buy enough large planes fast enough to fly the growing number of people who want to fly to the U.S. and Europe. In peak times, you have to wait several weeks for a ticket on one of the several daily flights to the U.S.

The people are increasingly adopting American consumption patterns - buying bigger cars and more gadgets all the time. The Venezuelans have a very different, and in many ways more healthy attitude to consumer goods than the British do. They are not treated with any great love or care, but are just considered to be a normal part of life.

A massive luxurious car is treated in the same way as a cheap shirt or bicycle, to be used and thrown away without much concern when worn to any degree.

This all might not matter very much if Venezuela's

OFF WITH ITS LID

By Mahmoud Bailey



In recent weeks, Jordanian politicians have been talking about the need for constructive criticism as a weapon in the long up-hill struggle to develop the country. Well -- why not? So out trots our roving reporter to find out what he can criticise -- constructively, of course. In fact, this column is liable to deal with anything that flashes across the sights of our hero, leaving behind a bad odour in his twitching nostrils. And if you feel strongly about anything written here please -- please -- send us a line.

One of the disturbing things that first-comers notice in Amman is the lack of green spaces, the lack of parks into which one can escape from the concrete jungle that the Jordanian capital is fast becoming.

And when one realises that one of Amman's only parks has become a building site -- just like so much of the city -- then one feels a particularly heavy blow being aimed at one's sense of natural beauty.

The park located on the slopes of Jabal Luweibdeh by Prince Mohammad Street is the victim, as bulldozers tear out the earth and rock and construction workers start to put up what will become -- in two years -- Samir Rifai school, a 2,000 square metre complex comprising an elementary and commerce school for girls.

The 22-dunum park opened its gates to the public in 1969, after Amman municipality had spent much time and money on landscaping work. And then came the blow -- three years ago the Ministry of Education made an application to buy the park from the municipality, which at that time decided to dig its heels in and oppose the "rape of the land".

Further applications poured in, and finally the municipality had to reverse its policy and give up this hallowed piece of land.

To be quite honest, both sides had a good cause: the municipality considered that the site was not suitable for building and it was, in any case, classified as a green area; and the Ministry was in dire need of a new school in the area and considered the site to be the only one suitable for its purpose.

The stronger side won out, and so Samir Rifai school is now under construction. The Ministry conceded one point: it will rebuild the landscaping and hillside terraces after the school is

complete. One up for the environmentalists.

The question of priorities is a very tricky problem here, one that needs much thought as the necessary financial resources are very scarce.

But when the situation is such that a capital city is chronically short of an amenity that is considered essential in most other capitals of the world, people should start to rethink their priorities.

The municipality is keen to set up parks, but it is plagued by a certain helplessness, for it faces so many obstacles.

Acquisition of land is the foremost obstacle -- or maybe lack of budgetary resources -- for the municipality, like so many other innocent bystanders, has been hit hard by speculative dealing in land and the subsequent rise in prices.

The municipality can acquire 25 per cent of a plot of land without paying compensation, but above this costs soar. And what is worse, most large plots have been divided into smaller ones. This means that to obtain a site large enough for a park, the hard-pressed municipality invariably has to acquire substantially more than 25 per cent.

The attitude of the government is a vital factor: if it does not oblige the municipality to give up its land, a coherent park policy can come into being.

Environmental considerations do not have the necessary priority in a country that is struggling for development. But if the human element is really respected, such considerations should be higher up on the list. Otherwise we just vegetate, become blind robots in the impersonal production process with no open space to relax and think.

The construction of Samir Rifai school may be essential, but it raises other questions: Should we ignore our environment -- and our sanity -- for the sake of "progress".

neighbours were as rich as she is. Apart from the Colombians, who bring in the harvests and will soon be working in the new coal mines in the west, Brazilians are gradually moving north. So far, almost 500,000 Brazilians have moved into the territory of Rondonia, to the south of the Equator, but many have already made the jump across the River Amazon to a little known region of the country called Roraima.

A road was opened in March from Manaus to the capital of Roraima, Boa Vista, already linked to the Venezuelan border and on the Caracas. And when the Brazilian army opens roads, the settlers are only a matter of weeks behind, bringing their tools and their large families.

Nothing can stop these hordes, as horrified Amazonian specialists have found. They respect nothing. The fragile Amazonian soils will not support their kind of slash and burn farming for more than three or four years, so they are always moving to new lands.

Tens of thousands of Brazilians have already moved across unmarked borders into Bolivia, Paraguay and to a lesser extent Peru, Uruguay and even Argentina. They are now at the gates of Venezuela, and it will take more than the elegantly dressed Venezuelan army to stop them.

good at stopping people on the main highways and searching them, machine guns at the ready, in a most intimidating way.

But as the invasions from Colombia have shown, machine guns are no match for thousands of peasants on the march, peasants who creep across borders where they are least expected, in small groups, and who make sure they never appear at police posts.

The Venezuelans themselves are moving en masse from the country side to the cities. The vacuum in the countryside will have to be filled and although the population is growing fast, most Venezuelans are just not prepared to put up with any hardship.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

AL RA'I editorially covers the seminar on science and technology opened Monday by His Highness Crown Prince Hassan. The talks about science and technology are the result of the need for development in the different sectors, and it is natural to seek technology in the university and the Royal Scientific Society, the paper says.

But it is unnatural to forget the role of the specialised and applied institutes which follow the applied methods.

"We have to confess that our share of applied sciences is very meagre." The paper says that it has to be confessed also that the brain drain and skilled manpower drain from the Jordanian population is on account of "our developmental projects."

The paper goes on to certify the importance of applied research studies and the need that the efforts exerted in this field be accompanied by projects through the communications media to render these efforts effective.

AL DUSTOUR reiterates President Assad's views on the Middle East problem as he expressed them to Mr. Carter in Geneva Monday. The paper sums up the Syrian views in five points imperative to any solution to the problem. These are:

Adhering to moral values necessitating the incarnation and realisation of justice;

The supposition that the settlement is being taken for granted is not right;

The continuation of Israeli occupation will result in more conflict to come;

The U.S. can play a major role in the any future solution; and

The proposed Geneva peace conference forms the best framework for the realisation of U.N. resolutions on the Middle East problem.

The paper goes on to say that there is coordination in the Arabs' overall stand towards the problem, a stand which has been reiterated by Sadat and His Majesty King Hussein.

AL SHA'B comments editorially that the future of Arab-American relations will depend on the attitudes President Jimmy Carter takes following his talks with Arab leaders.

If Mr. Carter's round of talks with Arab leaders failed to yield progress towards peace there might be no more such meetings, the paper adds.

"The crisis in the region cannot stand any more experiments," it continues.

"The position President Carter's administration takes in response to the Arab rejection of Israeli occupation, and in support of self-determination for the Palestinian people, will decide the future of the region and of Arab-American relations."

AL SHA'B says that now Mr. Carter has met all four parties directly concerned in the Arab-Israeli conflict he faces "a test of his statements about political morality and the defence of human rights."

It notes that the U.S. could influence Israel and says American policy was called upon "to save Israel from itself and from its policy of aggressive expansion."

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Science meet calls for water policy

AMMAN (JNA). — The seminar on Jordan's science and technology policy resumed its work at the Royal Scientific Society Tuesday. It discusses water resources, energy and health in Jordan.

The seminar is chaired by His Highness Crown Prince Hassan, the Viceroy, who reiterated the need for a research policy on energy and irrigation.

His Highness Crown Prince Hassan, speaking on occasion, called for the implementation of a comprehensive policy to ensure water throughout the Kingdom.

In its noon session, the seminar discussed the second part of the research policy. The conference stressed the need for a new research commission. Its objective would be to draw up energy strategies on the national and regional levels taking into consideration economic, political and technological factors.

In its third session, Tuesday evening, the seminar discussed a paper on health. It called for the formation of an institute for research into health matters. It would enjoy administrative and financial autonomy, to enable it to undertake its research work and evaluate present medical services.



A committee of experts of the Arab Broadcasting Union opens a three-day session in Amman Tuesday. It is meeting to complete studies on the creation of an integrated Arab network for the exchange of television news. (JNA photo).

Bulgarian deputy F.M. discusses trade boost

AMMAN (JNA). — Minister of Industry and Commerce Dr. Najmeddine Dajani and Bulgarian Deputy Foreign Minister Nikolai Minchev Tuesday discussed Jordanian-Bulgarian economic relations, ways of increasing trade and possible Bulgarian participation in development projects here. These include the establishment of agro-industrial centres for poultry and eggs, as well as irrigation and geological research projects.

The Bulgarian minister stated that his government had already initiated the Jordanian-Bulgarian economic agreement. He expressed his country's desire to buy Jordanian phosphate directly from the Jordan Phosphate Mines Company without an intermediary or any control by an international cartel, and to increase trade between the two countries.

Mr. Minchev was earlier received by Speaker of the Upper House Bahjat Talhouni and discussed the results of Mr. Talhouni's visit to Bulgaria last month.

On the M.E. issue, Mr. Minchev underlined his country's firm commitment to peace, namely an Israeli withdrawal and the restoration of Palestinian rights.

ISRAELI SPY RECEIVES DEATH SENTENCE

AMMAN (R). — A special security court has sentenced an Israeli spy to death, an official spokesman said here today.

He was confirming a report in the daily Al Sha'b, which described the man as "a dangerous agent for Israel." Neither the spokesman nor the newspaper gave his name.

Al Sha'b said he admitted working for Israel for several years, but it did not say when he was arrested or tried.

Security officials had seized him after he returned from a trip abroad to receive new instructions from Israeli intelligence officers.

Al Sha'b said the man was paid through another agent in West Germany, and he had been trained to use a radio transmitter and secret ink.

Security officers who arrested him found a transmitter hidden in a gas cylinder and another in the shape of a lighter, as well as special paper and secret ink, the newspaper added.

Talks underway with Iraq to conclude economic agreement

AMMAN (JNA). — Economic talks are proceeding in Baghdad between Jordan and Iraq and the free zone at Aqaba, through which commodities will be exported to Baghdad.

The Jordanian delegation to the talks is headed by the Under-Secretary at the Ministry of Industry and Commerce, Dr. Hashem Dabbas. Jordan and Iraq are parties to an agreement, under which a large amount of Iraq's imports come through the Port of Aqaba. A special accord provides for an Iraqi loan to Jordan for the enlargement of the port and transport of Iraqi commodities across Jordanian territory.

Jordan's exports to Iraq last year amounted to JD 2,450,000 against JD 2,300,000 in 1975.

EGYPT SIGNS DOLLAR DEAL

AMMAN (JNA). — Jordan and Egypt signed an addendum to their commercial agreement at the Central Bank Tuesday morning. The dollar will now replace the pound as the official currency for bilateral trade, according to the agreement.

The change results from the pressing need for the adoption of a more stable currency to boost the volume of trade.

Exchange Rates

Following are the official exchange rates in effect at the start of today's business day, as set by the Central Bank of Jordan.

The first column is how much you would receive in Jordanian filis for selling a unit of the foreign currency, while the second column denotes how much it would cost you to buy a unit of the foreign currency:

U.K. sterling	567.0	573.0
U.S. dollar	329.0	331.0
German mark	140.5	140.9
French franc	68.7	67.0
Swiss franc	130.9	131.3
Italian lira (for every 100)	37.2	37.4
Saudi riyal	93.4	93.6
Lebanese pound	108.7	109.1
Syrian pound	80.8	81.0
Iraqi dinar	947.0	950.0
Kuwaiti dinar	1,148.0	1,152.0
Egyptian pound	460.0	465.0
Libyan dinar	790.0	770.0
UAE dirham	84.4	84.8

Amman's mayor leaves on visit to London

AMMAN (JNA). — Mayor of Amman Ma'n Abu Nuwwar left here for Britain Tuesday on a five-day visit. He will visit various British town councils to get acquainted with their rules and procedures for provision of services.

He will also visit a number of zoological gardens in Britain to study the possibility of establishing a similar zoo at Ain Ghazal area in Amman.

Prince Hassan urges labour training centre

AMMAN (JNA). — His Highness Crown Prince Hassan, the Viceroy, has called for a labour training centre to stimulate the development of the Jordanian workforce.

His Highness Crown Prince Hassan was speaking at an open meeting held with representatives of trade unions and industrialists at the Royal Scientific Society Tuesday. It stresses the dialogue he started with the workers on May 10.

The Prince said that all sections including the Armed Forces should participate in the development effort, solving the housing problem and bringing the cost of living.

He also called for the unfreezing of all private and public investment funds, which finance social projects, as well as to duplicate each other and be considerable sums of money.

Participants afterwards discussed a number of papers on industry and labour presented by unions and the Chamber of Industry.

Bir Zeit University joins world organisation

AMMAN (JNA). — Bir Zeit University has become a member of the World Union of Universities as of April 25.

West Bank newspapers said that the President, Dr. Hanna Nasser, received a letter from the Secretary General of the union, Dr. Douglas Aitkin, notifying him of acceptance of the university as a member.

The university, situated near Ramallah, joined the Union of Arab Universities on April 25, 1976.

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French unions call general strike

PARIS, May 10 (AFP). — A one-day general strike will take place in France on May 24, the main trade unions announced today.

This will be the first general strike, covering the private as well as the public sector, since Valéry Giscard d'Estaing became president in May 1974. The main issues are unemployment and inflation.

The strike call was issued by the Communist-led General Labour Confederation (CGT), the pro-socialist Democratic Labour Confederation (CFDT)

and the non-political National Education Federation (FEN).

The moderate Force Ouvrière (F.O.) was generally expected to join in.

The business newspaper Les Echos noted today that, if the F.O. joins in on May 24, this would be "an event unseen since the CGT and F.O. split in 1947."

It also said this would be "a small revolution the more significant as parliamentary elections are less than 10 months away."

Developing countries open international textile trade seminar

HONG KONG, May 10 (AFP). Senior officials from 12 developing countries opened a confidential seminar on international trade in textiles here today.

Nine of the countries belong to the British Commonwealth. The other three -- The Philippines, South Korea and Thailand -- are non-commonwealth countries.

Organized by the commonwealth secretariat, the closed door discussions will centre especially on the international Multi-Fibre Arrangement (MFA) which expires at the end of this year and around which considerable controversy has arisen from discussions on its renewal in Geneva in the past few months.

An official spokesman said it was hoped that the seminar would result in the emergence among the participants of a common stand on the future of the MFA.

But no ganging-up against importing countries is taking place, it was stressed.

The overall concept was explained by Lawrence Mills, Counsellor for Hong Kong affairs in Geneva, who is here for the seminar.

He said: "One of its useful purposes is to identify the differences of opinion among developing countries and after each participant has had his

say the exchange of ideas will identify those areas where developing countries can take a common stand."

The seminar was opened at a public session this afternoon by Hong Kong's Director of Commerce and Industry, David Jordan.

EEC orders Ireland to end 50-mile boat limit

BRUSSELS, May 10 (AFP). — The European Economic Community (EEC) today ordered Ireland to end its 50-mile ban on large powered fishing boats before midnight a source said.

If Ireland fails to do this, the commission will take it to the European court of justice in Luxembourg probably tomorrow.

The source said the Irish ban covered fishing boats longer than 33 metres and totalling more than 1,100 horsepower.

The source also said that Ireland does not consider its arrangements are either illegal or discriminatory. Its position is that the measures are temporary, pending an EEC agreement on fishing within the community's 200-mile limit.

The Luxembourg court would be asked by the commission to settle this dispute with the Irish Republic. The source said Ireland appeared willing to accept any verdict by the court.

China releases long-term plan to become an economic superpower

PEKING, May 10 (R). — China has released a few more details of its long-term plan to become an economic superpower and as expected, oil will play a key role.

The disclosures have come in speeches by Vice-Premier Yu Chiu-li and Petroleum Minister Kang Shih-en made at the National "Learn from Taching" Industrial Conference here.

Taching, in the northern Manchurian wastelands, is the country's richest oil field and its development, despite Siberian-like conditions, has been cited as a national model.

Peking aims to open 10 more major oil fields this century and is to restructure economic administration, handing out more power to the regions.

Mr. Yu also offered hope of benefits for the workers by an-

nouncing that a separate conference is to consider living and work conditions.

The speeches emphasized that China is sticking to the ambitious goal laid down by the late Mao Tse-tung of overtaking the United States' economy in several decades.

Mr. Kang told the conference China must undertake "nationwide large-scale oil prospecting" and before the year 2,000 build up 10 more oil fields as large as Taching.

Chinese oil production rose to an estimated 84 million tons last year -- about a third was Taching oil -- and officials predict it will top 100 million tons within a year or two.

Mr. Kang's speech, reported by the New China News Agency, said the country had abundant oil resources but should

not concentrate solely on high-yielding fields.

He called for simultaneous development of the "big, medium and small" and a continuous search for offshore deposits.

He defended the importation of "necessary" foreign oil technology and stressed that before China could reach an advanced level it must improve its own scientific research.

Vice-Premier Yu outlined what he called the two stages for economic development for the period 1976-85:

-- First, construction of a "nationwide, independent and relatively comprehensive industrial and economic system".

-- Second, the major administrative regions should develop their own economies "so that they can function self-reliantly while working in close coordination..."

Mr. Yu acknowledged economic systems adopted the six regions -- the east, north, east, central, southwest and northwest would not have the same standards or characteristics.

The decentralisation concept first aired in the 1950s, carried the risk that it could lead to demands for more regional autonomy than Peking deemed desirable. Western analysts said it added the leadership apparently regarded it as the most efficient formula for economic development.

All the Taching conference speeches reported by the official media have blamed party radicals for China's economic ills. Mr. Yu, a state planner specialist, stressed that to drive against radicals and efficient management remains a top priority.

In an effort to dispel doubt about the country's ability to reach Mao's goals, Mr. Yu said: "The rapid development of our industry is not only absolutely necessary but entirely possible."

China releases few economic figures but it seems highly doubtful that it met an early target laid down by Mao in 1956 he said the country should overtake the British economy within 15 years.

Bahrain and Saudi Arabia approve plan for causeway

BAHRAIN, May 9 (R). — Experts from Saudi Arabia and Bahrain have approved the final plans for a projected causeway that will link their two countries officials said here yesterday.

The Saudi-Bahraini joint technical committee met here Saturday and officials said the

approval of the final plans meant that the project, which was expected to cost more than \$600 million, would be put for international tender and actual work would begin later.

Following their meeting the Saudi and Bahraini experts inspected the site of the 24 km. (15 miles) long causeway.

24-nation OECD releases annual inflation rates

PARIS, May 10 (R). — Annual inflation rates in Portugal, Spain and Italy are still running at more than 20 per cent, and at 16.7 per cent in Britain and Ireland, the 24-nation Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) said yesterday.

Switzerland, where prices went down by 0.2 per cent in March, had the lowest annual inflation rate of 1.0 per cent, OECD said.

The full OECD figures were: (March increases in consumer prices and annual inflation rate) Canada 1.0 and 7.4, United States 0. and 6.4, Japan 0.6 and 9.4, France 0.9 and 9.1, West Germany 0.3 and 3.9, Italy not available and 21.9, latest available, Britain 1.0 and 16.7, Austria 0.2 and 5.6, Ireland 1.3 and 16.7.

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Switzerland minus 0.2 and 1.0, Turkey not available and

Control tower technicians stage unexpected walk-out at Tel Aviv's Lod airport

TEL AVIV, May 10 (AFP). — Control tower technicians at Tel Aviv's Lod airport walked out without prior warning today to draw attention to complaints about airport safety at the airport. Israel's only air link with the outside world.

The technicians said they would allow passenger planes already on their way to Lod to land and cargo flights carrying perishable goods to take off.

In addition so-called "security" flights, such as that scheduled to carry Foreign Minister Yigal Alon to Paris and London, would not be affected, they said.

The strikers stressed that dispute was not over wages or over what they regarded as inadequate safety provisions, one of the main takeoff ways.

Airport authorities reject this reason, stating that a strike was a wage demand, disguise and accused the technicians of taking advantage of the pre-electoral period to stage the stoppage.

The transport ministry ordered the technicians to return to work, but the airport departure lounge was crammed with hundreds of waiting passengers.

Zambia plans to sue 5 oil companies violating U.N. sanctions against Rhodesia

DAR ES SALAAM, May 10 (R). — Zambian Foreign Minister Sitema Mwale was quoted here today as saying that despite British "commining" his country had overwhelming evidence of violations by Western oil companies of economic sanctions against Rhodesia.

The government-owned daily news reported that Mr. Mwale made the statement in connec-

tion with his country's decision to sue five oil companies on grounds that they had broken the United Nations sanctions.

The Zambian minister, here on a short visit, was speaking at a meeting yesterday with representatives of black nationalist movements from Namibia (South West Africa), Rhodesia and South Africa.

The Tanzanian paper quoted

him as saying that Zambia had the evidence against the oil companies "despite the conniving and forestalling of Britain."

"Even if we lose the case we shall at least have exposed the enemy," he added.

Mr. Mwale met Tanzanian President Julius Nyerere last night and has also had talks with Foreign Minister Benjamin Mkapa.

No details on the discussions were released but they were believed to concern the campaign by nationalist movements in Southern Africa.

Zambia, like Tanzania, is one of the five "front-line" African states ranged against the white minority government in Rhodesia.

Mr. Mwale told the representatives of the movements yesterday that problems within their leadership were secondary and should be put aside until "we have removed this scourge of history in Southern Africa."

Australia's air traffic union calls on commission to hear its claims

CANBERRA, May 10 (AFP). — Australia's Air Traffic Controllers' Union today urged an arbitration commission to hear its claims in order to end a four-day strike that has virtually isolated the country.

The strike, which has stranded thousands of tourists in New Zealand, Singapore and Hong Kong, was expected to last until at least Friday.

But John Garlick, Secretary of the Civil Aviation Air Traffic Controllers' Association (CAATCA), said it could be called off tomorrow night, provided the arbitration commission agrees to hear the asso-

ciation's claim.

This arises from the findings of an inquiry into a collision at Sydney airport between two jetliners in 1971.

The airline pilots' association waspicketed drawn into the dispute when the two internal airlines, TAA and Ansett, sought permission to lay off about 12,000 employees, because the strike was costing them \$5 million a week.

The pilots threatened to halt emergency services to Western Australia and four flights a day to Tasmania which are continued despite the controllers' stoppage.

ECONOMIC NEWS BRIEFS

* OTTAWA, May 10 (AFP). — Canadian Indians and Eskimos are on the threshold of a rare occasion in their history in winning a fight against the whites -- their protests might delay for 10 years the building of a trans-Alaskan gas pipeline running through their territory. About 30,000 of them have petitioned the government to delay building the pipeline from Mackenzie Valley, across the Yukon to Canadian and American consumers.

* NEW YORK, May 10 (AFP). — Franco-British efforts to promote their supersonic airliner "Concorde" have already cost nearly \$4 million, the New York Times reported today. The paper, which has conducted an enquiry into the "Concorde" lobbyists' activities said the campaign had not always yielded the expected results due to disagreement on promotion methods between France and Britain.

* CANBERRA, May 10 (R). — Australia which possesses 20 per cent of the Western world's known uranium reserves, could become the site of an enrichment plant to process nuclear fuel to serve energy-hungry industries in Europe and Japan, according to Deputy Prime Minister Doug Anthony. Mr. Anthony said he had received an assurance from Dr. James Schlesinger, President Carter's Energy Adviser, that the United States could see no difficulty in Australia's enrichment uranium on a multi-national basis.

* ROME, May 10 (AFP). — Italians were told today that if they bought just 25 per cent fewer imported cars they would save about \$530 million -- the amount of the recent International Monetary Fund (IMF) loan to Italy. Foreign Trade Minister Rinaldo Ossola urged the country to "buy Italian". He recalled similar campaigns in America, Britain and France.

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The works include the design, fabrication, supply and erection of steel structures covering an area of about 19,000 square metres of buildings having a maximum span of 35 metres. The work includes the construction of reinforced concrete buildings covering an area of about 1,800 square metres and other civil and architectural works.

This project will be jointly financed by the government of Jordan and the government of the Netherlands through a grant.

The tender documents will be available for purchase at the offices of the Jordan Valley Commission, Jabal Amman, P.O. Box 2769, from May 9, 1977 until May 23, 1977. The charges for these documents are JD 20 or its equivalent in foreign currency. These charges are non-refundable.

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GENERAL TENDENCIES: Don't be upset if there are changes today that you don't expressly like, for through new arrangements you will be able to express your talents and capabilities much better.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Make plans that will mean benefits in the future for you. Avoid one who is detrimental to your progress.

Taurus (Apr. 20 to May 20) Use approved methods if you want to gain a cherished personal aim. Go to the right source for the information you need.

Gemini (May 21 to June 21) You need more up-to-date resources to make your daily business more profitable. Do civic duties that will add to your prestige.

Scorpio Children (June 22 to July 21) Visit new places where you can add to present knowledge and find opportunities to advance. Be wise.

Leo (July 22 to Aug. 21) Making sure to keep promises made is most important at this time. Strive for a harmonious relationship with mate.

Virgo (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Discuss a new project you have in mind with associates and get their approval. Beware of one who has an eye on your assets.

Libra (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Don't neglect important things in your field of endeavor. Plan time to improve your health through proven methods.

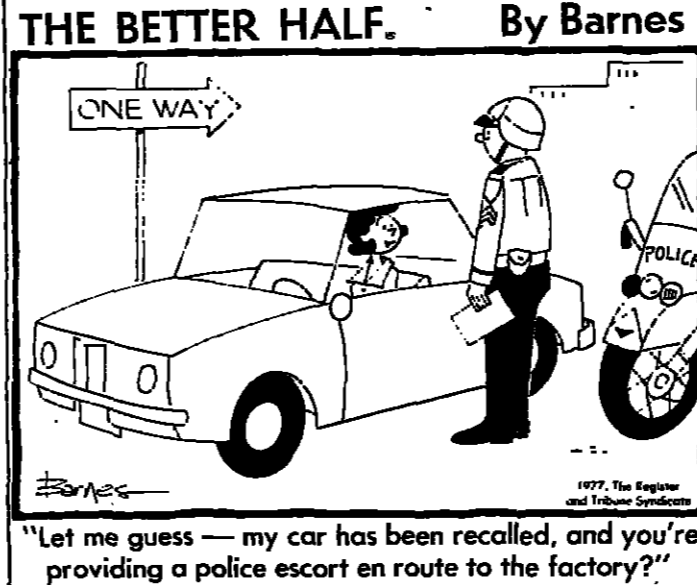
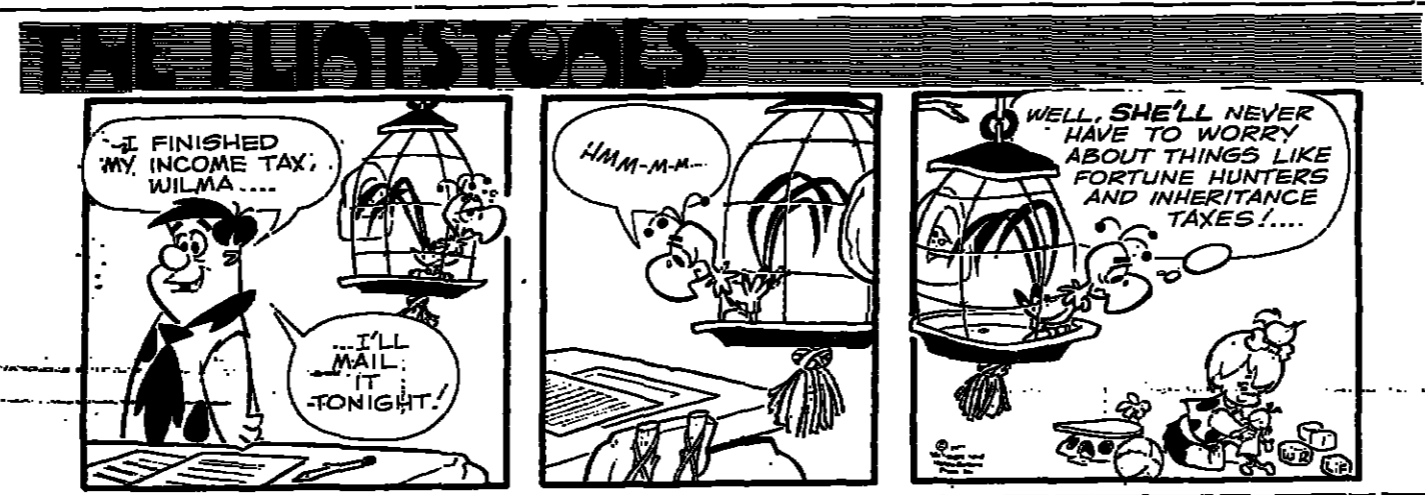
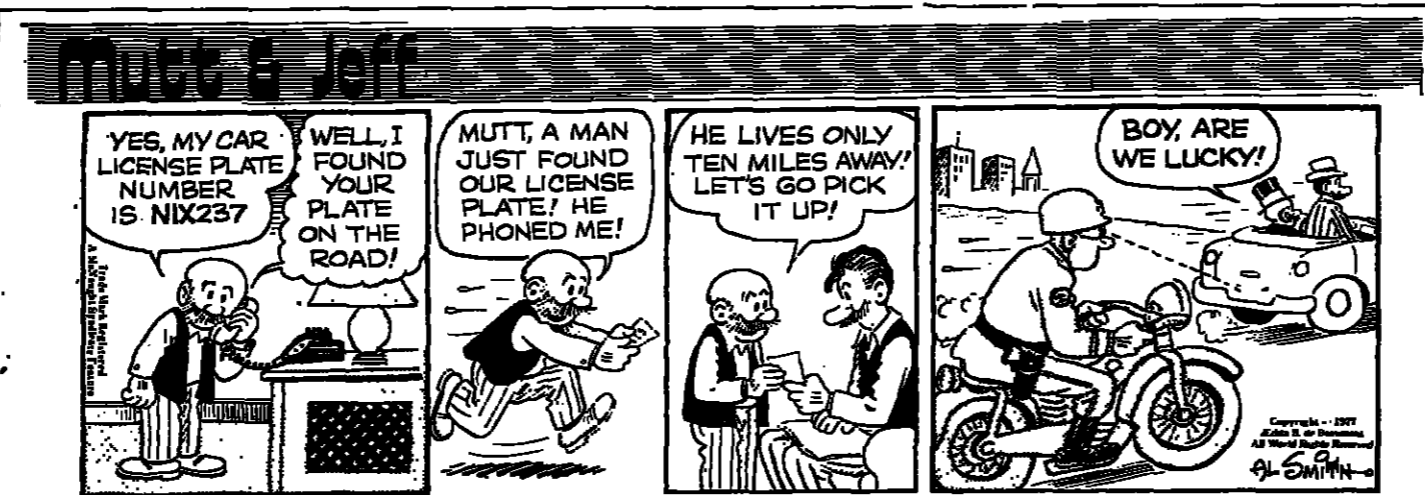
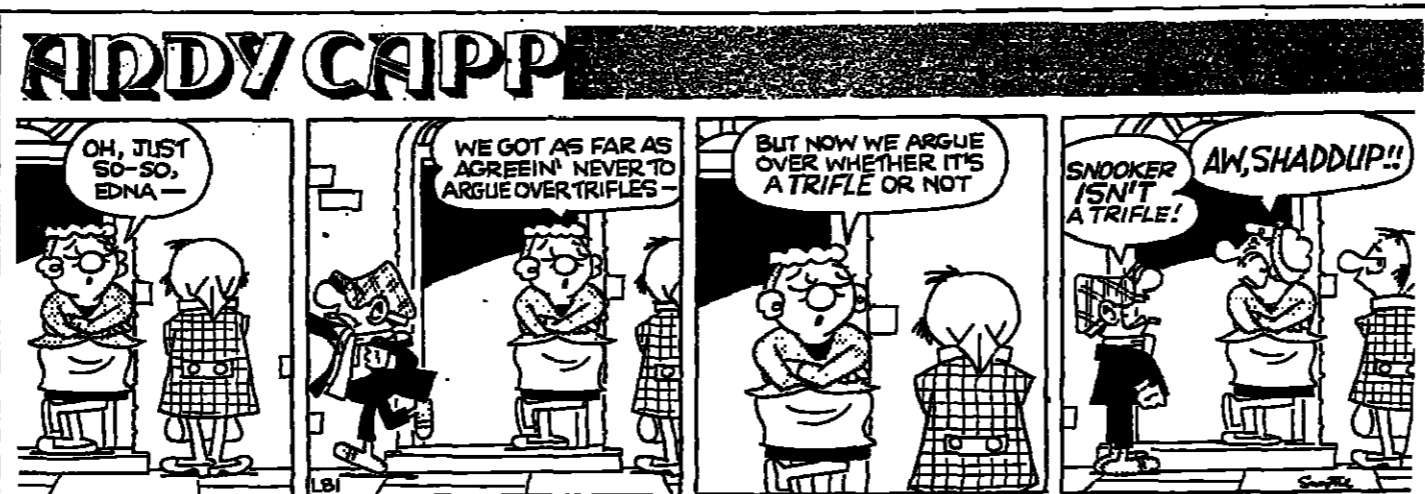
Sagittarius (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) A good day to plan projects that will extend into the future and be most profitable. Show your finest creative talents.

Capricorn (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Those plans made for family members can be put in operation now with results following. Be more optimistic.

Aquarius (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) If you are more cooperative with associates now you can gain their trust and much can be accomplished.

Pisces (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) You have clever ideas adding to present abundance, so put them in motion without delay. Strive for true happiness.

Aries (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Put more effort into achieving your personal aims and get excellent results. Use approved methods in a business deal.



WORLD RECORDS

The largest meteorite exhibited by any museum is the "Tent" meteorite, weighing 30,882 kg. found in 1897 near Cape York, on the west coast of Greenland, by the expedition of Commander Peary. It was known to the Eskimos as the Abnighito.

GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES H. GOREN AND OMAR SHEARIF
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Both vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ A Q 7
♥ K J 4
♦ J 7 5
♣ A 5 4 2

WEST
♠ 8 6 2
♥ 10 6
♦ 10 9 4 2
♣ 10 9 7 6

EAST
♠ K J 10 9 5
♥ Q 9 8 5 2
♦ Q 6
♣ J

SOUTH
♠ 4 3
♥ A 7 3
♦ A K 8 3
♣ K Q 8 3

The bidding:
South West North East
INT Pass 3NT Pass
Pass Pass
Opening lead: Six of ♣.

There are days when it seems that the whole world is against you. However, closer analysis could reveal that you might have been your own worst enemy.

Even though he had a weak doubleton in spades, South elected to open one no trump. He thought that a minor-suit opening bid would lead to too many problems later in describing the hand. North, with 15 points, could have tried for slam, but his hand was absolutely flat and contained no useful fillers, so he settled for the "certain" game.

Declarer was so dazzled with the array of high cards which came down in dummy, he gave the hand not the slightest thought. He won the opening club lead in his hand and led a low diamond to the jack. East won the queen and returned the suit. Declarer won and now tried the heart finesse. This, too, lost, and East exited with a heart. Declarer rose with the ace and led a spade to the queen. East took the king and persevered with hearts.

All was not yet lost. If either clubs broke 3-2 or diamonds divided 3-3, declarer could still get home, but he was doomed to disappointment. He ended up with only eight tricks on a hand that broke most unkindly.

Yet for all the bad luck, the contract could have been made. Declarer missed his opportunity at the very first trick. From West's lead of a low club, it was reasonable to assume that the suit would not split. All declarer had to do was allow East to hold the first trick. If East had a club to return, declarer could still fall back on his other chances. However, if East did indeed start with a singleton club, he would now be employed. Which ever suit he selected to lead would present declarer with his ninth trick.

Our sharp-eyed readers will also note that had declarer made the correct technical play of first cashing one high diamond before leading low to the jack, all would have been well. When East won the queen, he would be employed and would be forced to lead into one of dummy's major-suit tenaces.

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TONIGHT'S T.V. FEATURE

PARTRIDGE FAMILY: REUBEN LIVES

Partridge family decides to treat its neighbour kindness and stop mocking him.

BEN HALL: CRUEL SEASON

Ben Hall family after deciding to move from barren area in which it lives changes its mind when rain falls.

OUT AND ABOUT

WINGS STEAKHOUSE

Wings Hotel, Jabel Luweibdeh. Tel. 22103/4. Choice of THREE set meals for lunch, and a variety of steaks for dinner. Open 12-3 p.m. and 7-12 p.m. Specialty: steaks.

SICK MEAL

Restaurants for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Home, lunch or dinner. Amman, First Circle. 21083. Jabel Al Luweibdeh. Tel. 38646. Al Hussein, near Jaramana. Tel. 21781. 10 in Zarqa and Irbid.

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The fashionable restaurant for you. Fridays Bank Street. Tel. 2187. AQABA. Open for lunch & dinner. Specialty Italian cuisine. Live music and dancing.

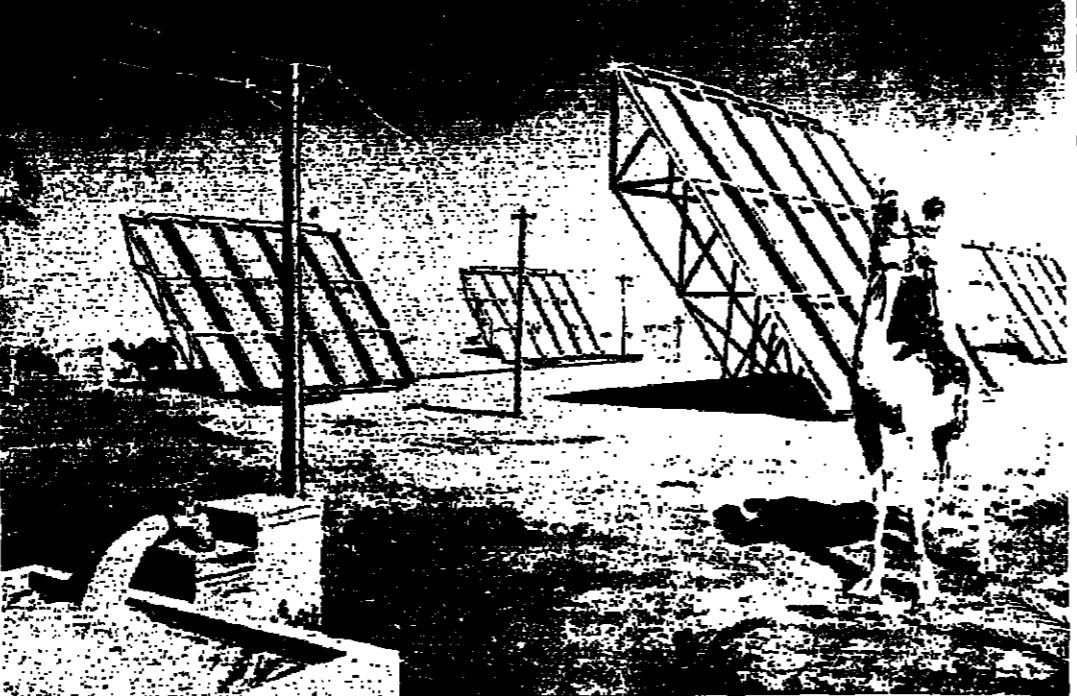
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First Chinese restaurant in Jordan. First Circle, Jabel Amman, near the Abiyah School or CHS. Tel. 38968. Open daily from noon to 3:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. to midnight. Also take home service - order by phone.

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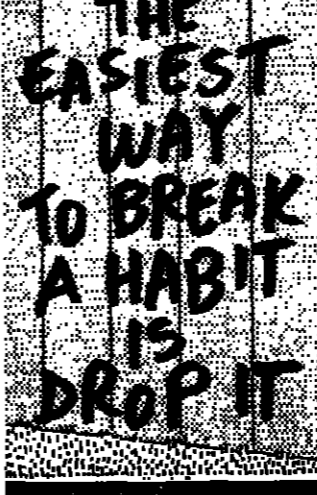
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THE PAGE FIVE FEATURE PHOTO



SOLAR POWER TO MAKE THE DESERT BLOOM -- This artist's impression of the solar farm research project is not just wishful thinking. Sunlight, a commodity of which many parts of the world have more than their fair share, can be harnessed to make the desert bloom, generating electric power for irrigation and other purposes.

GRAFFITI



PROVERB

Don't let your roots grow down too deep so that it will tear your heart out when you have to pull up stakes.

JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

NOPEY

GANGI

REPJUM

FLOWEL

Print answer here: A "O O O O O O O O" (Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumble: EXACT VALUE DITHER ESTATE
Answer: Where charity always begins -- AT THE LETTER C

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS

- Marine skeleton
- Catch
- Sprites
- Arterial trunk
- Makes amends
- Filch
- Refusal
- Newt
- Protect
- Taro paste
- In the manner of
- Verve
- Nomad
- Indulgent
- Mild oath
- For
- Be indebted
- Backward
- Japanese grille
- Article
- Swift
- Ethical
- Turkish decree
- Indicate
- Accounts
- Quibbles

SOLUTION OF YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

DOWN

- Saratoga, for one
- Mine excavation
- Oxford graduate
- Boy, in Spain
- Used to express surprise
- Actual being
- Vernon and Irene
- Quota
- Open court
- Preeminent
- Napa
- Reality
- Fencing dummy
- Bravo
- Added to
- Small draught
- Bluenose
- Pressing
- Shooting marble
- Summer in Paris
- Wears away
- Fuse partly
- Plant cutter bud
- Garcol
- Angered
- Tart
- Fish
- Open of Macao
- Tennis point
- French article

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Young begins African tour

ABIDJAN, May 10 (R). — America's U.N. Ambassador Andrew Young arrived here today for an African tour and said that so far as he knew he would be visiting South Africa.

The controversial black diplomat told Reuters when asked about the planned South African part of his tour: "We certainly won't be calling it off."

South African Foreign Affairs Secretary Brand Fourie said today that South Africa has given the United States its decision on the proposed visit of Mr. Young.

Asked by Reuters if a reply had been given to an official Washington request for Mr. Young to come, Mr. Fourie said: "Yes, a reply has gone to the Americans."

Rameses flies back to Cairo

PARIS, May 10 (Agencies). — The mummy of Rameses II, the 3250-year-old Egyptian pharaoh, was flown back to Egypt today after "medical" treatment here.

The mummy was brought here last September for treatment by French Egyptologists to eliminate fungi, micro-organisms and modern insects threatening to destroy it.

Experts said treatment of the Egyptian king's body was carried out by radiation and only finished yesterday.

The mummy was flown back to Cairo by a special French air force plane. A guard of honour lined the tarmac.

It will be displayed in a special air-tight case in the Cairo Museum.

Egyptologists said they conducted 140 tests on the mummy before deciding on the form of treatment needed to rid it of some 60 types of fungi.

They also carried out tests on other corpses to establish the maximum amount of radiation they could use without damaging Rameses.

The decision to bring the mummy to Paris was taken after President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing visited Cairo in 1975.

It caused a row between French and American Egyptologists. Dr. James Harris, of Michigan University, said there was nothing wrong with Rameses and accused the French experts of being "scientifically dishonest" to obtain the mummy for their own study.

U.S. will share medical know-how with all nations, Carter tells WHO assembly

UNITED NATIONS, Geneva, May 10 (AFP). — U.S. President Jimmy Carter announced yesterday that the United States "will offer to share our medical know-how with all nations, regardless of politics or ideology."

In a declaration read to an assembly of the World Health Organisation by one of his assistants, President Carter added that "we will work together to control disease, improve nutrition, and raise the

quality and productivity of life throughout the world.

"The United States is ready to help develop a truly international programme to identify and report epidemic and endemic diseases. We will work with the World Health Organisation, as well as with individual countries, in a global effort to give early warning of impending disease outbreaks."

Referring to his administration's campaign for worldwide observance of human rights,

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

* MANILA, May 10 (AFP). — The Philippine government is ready to resume peace talks with the Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF) to end the Mindanao conflict. Defence Under-Secretary Carmelo Barbero said yesterday. Mr. Barbero was the chief government negotiator at the first round of talks held in Tripoli (Libya) last December which produced a ceasefire and an agreement to set up an autonomous region in 13 southern provinces.

* BAGHDAD, May 10 (R). — Iraq has declared its support for amending the Arab League's charter to provide for joint action in non-political fields. This attitude was declared by Foreign Minister Sa'doun Hammadi in a lecture here last night. The lecture, at the Iraqi Economists Society, was published by Iraq News Agency today. Dr. Hammadi said the League's Constitution "with the aim of achieving an important step forward. The immediate aim should be joint action in non-political fields." What Iraq had in mind, he said, was that Arab summit meetings should be held regularly to discuss all political, economic, cultural and social questions of importance.

* TOKYO, May 10 (AFP). — Three people have been killed and 6,500 wounded in the 11-year-old battle of Narita where police have clashed with students, activists and farmers opposing the opening of the new international airport. The airport was due to begin operating in 1971, but local farmers were unwilling to abandon their fields. Students, claiming the airport would be used for military purposes, denounced it as a symbol of Japanese "imperialism." Another issue was the potential pollution problem. There is in addition the tricky problem of transporting the passengers to Tokyo.

* BARCELONA, Spain, May 10 (R). — A 76-year-old Spanish industrialist blew himself up yesterday when he tried to remove a time-bomb strapped to his chest by armed men demanding a 500 million pesetas (24 million) ransom. Police said they said the industrialist, Senor Jose Maria Bulto Marques, chairman of one of Spain's largest chemical companies, was seized at the home of a relative by an armed gang who strapped the bomb to his chest. They warned him it would explode instantly if he tried to remove it and gave him until the next day to raise the money, police said. According to police, Senor Bulto returned home where he tried to remove the device and blew himself to pieces. Police sources said there was no apparent political motive for the attack.

* LONDON, May 10 (AFP). — The population of London is declining but the surplus of women is increasing, an official statistical report revealed today. It showed there were 275,000 more women than men living in the capital. The city's population was down to 7,028,000 last year, 75,000 less than the year before, and about 350,000 less than in 1971.

Islamic radios will mark "Jerusalem Day"

ABU DHABI, May 10 (R). — The world's Islamic radio stations have decided to observe a "Jerusalem Day" on August 21 each year, the anniversary of the 1969 fire which gutted part of Al Aqsa Mosque in occupied Jerusalem.

The General Assembly of the Islamic Broadcasting Services Organisation said last night that stations throughout the Moslem World would disseminate news on August 21 about Jerusalem and "Moslem holy places violated by the Zionist enemy."

Al Aqsa Mosque, the third holiest Moslem shrine after Mecca and Medina, was set on fire on August 21, 1969, by an Australian sheepherder who was later confined to a mental home.

The fire caused an outcry in the Arab World and many Arabs accused Israel of complicity in the arson.

During its two-day meeting, the assembly elected an Egyptian, Mr. Ahmad Farrag, as its secretary general. Other candidates for the post came from Morocco, Bangladesh, Iran, Mali and Malaysia.

A statement said the general assembly approved the establishment of a strengthened Voice of Islam Radio from Mecca and asked member states to build relay stations. The cost of the strengthened Voice of Islam would be covered by Saudi Arabia the statement said.

Iraq rejects U.S. statement on aid to "terrorists"

BAGHDAD, May 10 (R). — Iraq today rejected an American accusation that it was aiding terrorism, and said its support for the Palestinian people's struggle could in no way be described as terrorism.

The correspondence had termed Palestinian Front commandos as "terrorists".

The spokesman, quoted by the Iraq News Agency, said: "In supporting the struggle of the Palestinian Arab people who are displaced by the Zionist movement with U.S. support, Iraq refuses that such aid be considered a kind of terrorism and regrets that it should be portrayed in this manner."

The government newspaper Al Jumhuriya (the Republic) commented: "The Americans have elaborated their interpretation of terrorism and now consider the mere opposition to settlement plans for the Arab area as terrorism."

"That is what was expressed yesterday by the U.S. State Department through a sickening and desperate game."

The paper added that the "arrogant and insolent" American statement was itself terrorist, confirming that plans were being made to impose a surrender solution on the Middle East through threats and intimidation.

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Journalists ask Qadhafi to free Yugoslav newsman

BRUSSELS, May 10 (R). — The International Federation of Journalists (IFJ), which claims to represent 82,000 journalists throughout the world, today asked Libyan leader Muammar Qadhafi to free a Yugoslav journalist jailed for life in Tripoli last week.

The journalist, Branislav Petrovic, 53, was sentenced on May 3 after being found guilty of revealing secrets concerning state security, according to the Arab Revolution News Agency of the Libyan Jamahiriya.

In a letter to Col. Qadhafi, IFJ General Secretary Theo

Bogaerts said that the federation had been deeply shocked at the news of the life sentence passed on Mr. Petrovic. He said that the IFJ made an "urgent appeal based on humanitarian grounds" for the release of the journalist.

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Patricia Hearst freed on parole

LOS ANGELES, May 10 (AFP). — A Los Angeles court yesterday freed heiress Patricia Hearst, 23, on parole for a five-year term.

Miss Hearst, daughter of newspaper magnate Randolph Hearst, faced charges arising from the period following her kidnapping by the Symbionese Liberation Army (SLA) in February 1974.

She was accused of having taken part in an armed raid on a sports shop in May 1974 while trying to aid the escape of fellow SLA comrades.

She faced a life sentence but received clemency from the court where one of the judges said: "I don't think there is a heart in America that isn't full of compassion for the parents."

Last year a San Francisco court sentenced Miss Hearst to seven years for her part in an SLA raid on a bank. She was released in November after her millionaire father posted a bond of \$1.25 million. Since then she has lived with her parents near San Francisco, avoiding being seen in public and surrounded by bodyguards.

Association of Voluntary Blood Donors, who give their blood without fee, said recently on television she had been threatened three times with death because of her opposition to commercial blood banks.

The commercial exploitation of blood began to become some years ago in the Caribbean and in Central America before spreading to the rest of Latin America, Africa and Asia.

The demand for blood is particularly strong in the industrialised countries where, because of high wages and a high standard of life, few people find it necessary to sell their

blood for cash. "They buy the raw material from underdeveloped countries at a very low price and export it at a very high price either the blood itself or products derived from it," Dr. Bourrel explained.

Most recent statistics, which are only five years old, show that firms in the United States bought in 1972 2,000,000 litres of blood for commercial purposes and made a net profit of \$150 million.

The only way of dealing with this traffic, according to the WHO expert, is to place the entire operation under strict government control and to forbid a blood bank to pay its donors. In Latin America, such controls exist only in Argentina and Venezuela. Mexico, Costa Rica, Nicaragua and Guatemala still present a particularly favourable field for exploitation by trans-nationals, he said.

In Brazil, where nearly 900 blood banks are in operation, the West German Hoechst Laboratories exercise a de facto monopoly in this field. They produce about 5,000 litres of plasma a month and a representative admitted recently on television that his company paid out on average \$1.5 million to Brazilian blood banks every month.

The West German company is making profits in Brazil that are 300 times larger than their original investment, Dr. Bourrel said.

Although Brazil forbids the export of blood plasma, it authorises its domestic commercialisation and also the sale abroad of blood derivatives, such as gamma globulin and albumin.

The WHO expert called for recognition by the industrial world of "the incredible profits" made by the trans-national blood salesmen who, he said, are preventing the setting up in the Third World of a "just and coherent social, medical and sanitary system."

The question was also very dangerous, he added, for bought blood is often disease-ridden. A donor who has sold his blood without adequate checks may transmit four times more syphilis and hepatitis than a benevolent donor, he said.

Rhodesian troops hunt guerrilla "lecturers"

SALISBURY, May 10 (R). — Rhodesian troops today were hunting eight guerrilla survivors of a battle in which 35 black civilians, said to have been caught in crossfire, were killed.

The seven-minute gunbattle began on Friday night, when security forces crept up on the Dabwa Kraal, 50 kms. north of Chiredzi in the southeastern Ndonga Tribal Trust Reserve.

The army said the guerrillas, who have been fighting for more than four years to oust Rhodesia's white minority regime, were giving a political lecture to the villagers.

Some of the guerrillas are known to be wounded, military authorities said.

They fled the battle scene leaving one member of their group dead among the bodies of men, women and children, the army said.

"It was one of the most unfortunate incidents I have ever seen," said police superintendent Jim Carse. But, he said, he was satisfied the 15 Rhodesian troops had acted properly when they replied to the guerrilla fire.

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The complaint said the troops, whose numbers were not specified, had moved eastwards across the Suez Canal during Egyptian army manoeuvres, the sources said.

This was not the first time that Egypt had moved troops into Sinai above the numbers allowed there but in previous cases, the excess forces had been withdrawn rapidly, the military sources added.

No indication was given of when the complaint was lodged.

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Arabic to be taught in all Israeli schools

TEL AVIV, May 10 (R). — A panel of experts is drawing up a programme for the compulsory teaching of Arabic in Israeli schools in the West Bank, Education Minister Aharon Yariv said today.

At present Arabic is an optional subject. Mr. Yariv said a graduating class of Israeli soldiers who are sent to teach Arabic in schools in the West Bank as part of their army service, has seen in Arabic language culture would be introduced at various levels of schooling, said complete introduction of compulsory Arabic studies in all schools would take several years in view of the need to train a sufficient number of teachers.

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Run-up elections held last November on the municipal, provincial and national levels showed a pro-government trend. Assemblies elected in these ballots choose one-third of the Legislative Assembly and the million ordinary voters who choose the remaining two-thirds of the members.

WHO expert exposes blood bank "mafia"

RIO DE JANEIRO, May 10 (AFP). — An Argentinian doctor has launched an international crusade against powerful trans-national firms who are making millions of dollars every year from the sale of blood collected from the impoverished masses of the Third World.

Dr. Antonio Pesci Bourrel, Secretary General of the Pan American Federation of Voluntary Blood Donors, accuses a number of trans-national pharmaceutical firms of forming, what he calls, a worldwide blood bank "mafia."

Dr. Bourrel, who is also a WHO (World Health Organisation) expert, listed among the major companies involved in the blood trade Hyland, Johnson and Johnson, and Abbott in the United States. Hoechst and Biotest in West Germany and Mérieux in France.

These firms were able to carry out their activities largely through the corruption of local officials, Dr. Bourrel said. And their local blood bank managers make between \$20,000 and \$40,000 a month profit, he claimed.

Blood, bought at \$3 a half-litre from the local poor is sold abroad for \$20 to \$40 a litre. Rare specimens can fetch up to \$800 a litre, he said.

"Laboratories are ready to go to any lengths," Dr. Bourrel told AFP. "They bribe local high officials, who have been known to offer a \$1,000,000 to a minister of health for permission to operate without interference."

Mrs. Lenora Carlotta Osorio, Vice President of the Brazilian

Rome's Colosseum area to become traffic-free

ROME, May 10 (AFP). — The 11-centuries-old ruins of the Colosseum, the gladiatorial arena of Imperial Rome, will be turned into a traffic-free pedestrian island in a new move to save it from the onslaught of exhaust fumes and vibrations.

The city Monuments Department has decided to extend the "pedestrians-only" zone around the ruins as far as the Arch of Constantine several dozen metres away in the latest phase of restoration work, which began in 1972.

Tourists will be able to walk untroubled from the Colosseum, whose restored first floor will shortly be reopened, to the triumphal arch built by Constantine the First in A.D. 315 to celebrate his victory over his rival Marcus Aurelius.

City authorities said the move would give a boost to the restoration programme, which has included clearing debris that has lain in the Colosseum's underground passages for hundreds of years, some of it litter left by Roman audiences picnicking as they watched their favourite gladiators.

For decades the ruins have been the centre of a busy intersection, but future plans foresee that the square in which they stand will be made entirely free of traffic.

Israel accuses Egypt of moving troops into Sinai

TEL AVIV, May 10 (R). — Israel has complained to the U.N. Peace-keeping Force that Egypt exceeded the 1975 agreement by moving extra troops into the Sinai Desert two weeks ago, military sources said here today.

The complaint said the troops, whose numbers were not specified, had moved eastwards across the Suez Canal during Egyptian army manoeuvres, the sources said.

This was not the first time that Egypt had moved troops into Sinai above the numbers allowed there but in previous cases, the excess forces had been withdrawn rapidly, the military sources added.

No indication was given of when the complaint was lodged.

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